

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 2451 – SB 2601**

January 24, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the Commissioner of Revenue from issuing registrations for certain heavy-duty motor vehicles unless they meet terms and conditions of a heavy-duty motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program as established by the Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board (TAPCB). Requires the TAPCB to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Decrease State Revenue – Not Significant**  
**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

**Decrease Local Gov't. Revenue – Not Significant**  
**Increase Local Gov't. Expenditures - Not Significant**

#### **Assumptions:**

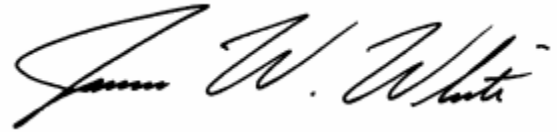
- Under this bill, “heavy-duty motor vehicle” means any motor vehicle having a combined manufacturer gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) to be carried thereon in excess of 10,500 pounds.
- According to the Department of Environment and Conservation (E&C), current law prevents county clerks or the state’s Vehicle Titling and Registration Program from accepting for registration any vehicle without accompanying proof of compliance with the inspection and maintenance program.
- The inspection and maintenance program is self-supported by user paid fees.
- According to E&C, the TAPCB has authority under current law to include heavy-duty vehicles in the inspection and maintenance program and to set rules to reduce emissions and maintain National Ambient Air Quality Standards.
- According to E&C, the TAPCB has already given verbal approval to expand the program to include motor vehicles with GVWR up to 14,000 pounds. As a result, E&C plans to promulgate regulations within the next two months to expand the program to include motor vehicles with GVWR up to 14,000 pounds. Therefore, the provisions of this bill can be

accomplished under current law. As a result, any increase to state or local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

- Any decrease of state or local government revenue, resulting from any change of vehicle titling and registration as a result of this bill, is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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